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HON. R. F. GREEN HAS RESIGNED POSITION

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works Is To-
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Hon. R. F. Green, chief commissioner of lands and works, has resigned his portfolio. The resignation was submitted late Saturday, and Hon. Mr. Green at once vacated the office. He is to-day busy winding up necessary business in his department, but will probably quit his office to-day finally. In retiring from the position in the government he still remains a member of the legislature and the member for Kaslo. From that position he does not retire.

Mr. Green announces that he will withdraw from the government purely on personal grounds. He has business arrangements which will occupy his attention and in order to take up these his retirement was necessary. It is possible he says that he will remain a resident of Victoria.

He has not his intention to run as a candidate for the legislature at the next election.

Hon. R. G. Tait, minister of finance, has been appointed temporarily to fill the office of chief commissioner. The retirement of Mr. Green is regarded by politicians on both sides of politics as a step deemed necessary by the government as preparatory to an appeal to the country. It is felt that in his travels about the country Premier McBride has been given unmistakable evidence that the administration of the lands and works department has been anything but popular. It has in fact been such as to condemn the government in the eyes of the electorate, and something heroic had to be done to offset this feeling if the government was to be returned.

Whether Mr. Green voluntarily offered to become a sacrifice or pressure was brought to bear on him to vacate from sources that could not well go

unheeded is not made known. He resigned at arriving from Vancouver on Saturday evening.

It is certain that some of Mr. Green's worst opponents were those in the Conservative party. Members of the government even were anxious to have him removed. It is highly probable that Hon. F. Carter Cotton, who is credited with having an eye on the position and who claims to have peculiar qualities for the office, may be given this post before the election is announced.

The preparations by the Conservatives in the way of nominating candidates in the various constituencies seem to indicate that an election is near at hand.

Premier McBride was himself nominated as the Conservative candidate for his old constituency of Dewdney on Saturday. The Premier on Saturday evening addressed a meeting at Mission in which he accepted the nomination on Thursday at a convention at Cranbrook. James A. Harvey was selected as the Conservative nominee for that constituency. Mr. Harvey is a barrister of Cranbrook.

William Manson, the sitting member for Alberni, has also been named as the candidate for that constituency. On Thursday evening the convention will be held for the selection of a Conservative candidate in Esquimalt. While G. E. Pooley is likely to get the nomination, it is generally expected that the name of H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., will come up before the convention, and as he is very popular in certain parts of the riding, it is even prophesied by some that he will secure the nomination.

Premier McBride when spoken to to-day respecting the resignation of Mr. Green admitted it was a fact, but said he must refuse to discuss the matter at present.

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Ward No. 3.—Is bounded a line commencing at the junction of Government and Yates street; thence easterly and northerly along the south and eastern boundaries (as hereinbefore defined) of ward No. 2 to the city boundary on the north; thence easterly along the northerly and easterly city boundary line to its intersection with Oak Bay avenue; thence westerly along Oak Bay avenue and Fort street to Government street; thence northerly along Government street to the point of commencement.

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Ward No. 5.—Commencing at the junction of Langley street and Yates street; the boundary runs southerly and easterly along the westerly and southerly boundaries of ward No. 4 to the shore line at Ross Bay; thence westerly, northerly and easterly along and around the shore line of Ross Bay and the Straits of San Juan de Fuca to the northern extremity of Laurel Point at the entrance to Victoria harbor; thence northerly to a point midway between Laurel Point and the nearest point of land on the Songhees Indian reserve; thence easterly in a straight line to the public landing at the foot of Yates street, including all wharves, jetties and buildings along the shore line; thence easterly along the southern boundary of ward No. 1 to the point of commencement.

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D. Neil McIntyre, of Montreal, arrived in Victoria on Saturday and to-day joined the Times staff as news editor.

Mr. McIntyre comes to the Times from the Montreal Star, upon the staff of which he has been a special writer and commissioner, and recently has been in street to street in his special commissions have included reciprocal campaigns in Massachusetts, assignments as far west as Edmonton and East to Halifax, parliamentary work at Ottawa, and numerous other responsible assignments for the big Montreal daily.

The esteem in which Mr. McIntyre is held by his colleagues was signified by an urgent request to him to accept his position on the Canadian Printer and Publisher.

Mr. D. Neil McIntyre, who for the past while has acted as telegraph editor of the Star, has accepted a position as news editor of the Victoria Times. Mac has the reputation of being one of the most reliable correspondents in the business in Montreal, and has a host of friends who will rejoice in his success, which he will be sorry to see him go west.

The management of the Star will feel his loss more than others, since during the three years he was on that paper, he proved his worth in many ways. Before leaving he was presented with a handsome watch by the members of the staff, as an appreciation of the many joys and sorrows shared together.

Fred Williams, of Toronto, Canadian editor of the Times, in writing to the manager of the Times says:

"I notice by the Printer and Publisher that you have secured the services of Mr. Neil McIntyre, of the Montreal Star, as your news editor. If this is so, may I congratulate you? Mr. McIntyre is a most excellent newspaper man and I am sure will do good service for you."

Perhaps the craft, however, will appreciate most the following telegram from "Georgius Rex," of the C. P. R., and king of Canadian newspapermen: "Mac! Congratulations upon securing a capable and energetic newspaperman."

Of our good friend, McIntyre, who was one of the oldest, best known and most popular newspapermen of the city, is retiring from the ranks of journalism at the end of the year to engage in business. Mr. Lucas began his journalistic career as a youth on the Colonist, and for many years has been a familiar figure, particularly on the water front. On the selection of B. C. Nicholas for the post of private secretary to Hon. W. Templeman, Mr. Lucas succeeded to the city editor's chair, which he has since filled.

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The rendition of the selections reflects great credit upon Mr. Berger, the conductor of the orchestra, which numbers fifteen pieces. The selections were rendered with a verve, feeling and accuracy remarkable in the short time in which musicians and conductor have been associated. Mr. Berger is a recent arrival from New Zealand.

To-morrow afternoon the Arion Club will give a concert in the new ward commencing at 2 o'clock, when all friends of the institution will be present.

FIRE IN SCHOOL.

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The dredge King Edward will be brought down from the Fraser river early in the year for the purpose of finishing the work of filling in the flats. The dredge will be a new one, and will be a great improvement on the old one. It will be a great improvement on the old one. It will be a great improvement on the old one.

Mr. Keefer is of the opinion that a week or two will be all that is required for the completion of the work. The dredge will be a great improvement on the old one. It will be a great improvement on the old one. It will be a great improvement on the old one.

There are some 5,000 yards of filling in which will have to be done by the King Edward over an area which includes all sides of the hotel. Preparations have been made for the big machine, and as soon as she arrives she can be set at work. In addition to the work done by the dredge, the city will have to supply 5,000 yards of filling in before the completion of the grounds can be proceeded with. Until the fill from the harbor has had an opportunity to settle, however, this latter undertaking will not be carried out.

WILL RETURN TO KESTREL (Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Dec. 24.—Capt. Newcombe is going back in charge of the Kestrel.

H. Dallas Helmeke, K. C., as usual has not forgotten the press at this holiday season. To-day he presented the Times with a box of cigars, which have been duly appreciated.

Challoner & Mitchell have been compelled to engage the services of a local constable to regulate the crowds and to keep a vigilant eye on the gems displayed in their store.

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STEAMER QADRA TO PATROL WEST COAST

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Instructions have been sent to Capt. Gaudin to cause the steamer Qadra to patrol the West Coast of Vancouver Island for the protection of life during the next month or two, when storms are frequent.

HOW CHRISTMAS WILL BE CELEBRATED

SERVICES IN NUMBER OF CITY CHURCHES

Day to Be Quietly Observed in This City—Appropriate Sermons Preached on Sunday.

The Christmas which is to bring cheer to so many hundreds of children in Victoria, is not to be confined to them alone. In the various charitable institutions throughout the Dominion, the poor and unfortunate will be remembered, while in the jails efforts will be made to alleviate the lot of the unfortunate confined therein.

Victoria will be no exception to the rule. While the people of the city gathered in their homes are partaking of the Christmas turkey and plum pudding, the inmates of the provincial jail will enjoy a special dinner, at which roast beef and plum pudding will replace the usual prison fare.

The usual Christmas menu will be provided for the members of the garrison and the crews of the vessels stationed here.

At the Salvation Army barracks, Broad street, the usual Christmas tree will be provided this evening.

Midnight mass will be celebrated in the Roman Catholic cathedral to-night. Archbishop O'Riagh acting as celebrant. To-morrow mass will be celebrated at 7 o'clock, at 7.30 and 8 o'clock, with a high mass at 10.30.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Burnside Baptist Mission Sunday school will be held on Wednesday evening. The school will be served by the children at 8 o'clock. At 8 o'clock the children will furnish a programme of music, recitation, etc.

Services To-Morrow. At the Christmas services in Christ church cathedral to-morrow the bishop of the diocese will be the preacher of the day. The services will consist of holy communion at 8 a. m. and again at 8 a. m., with morning service and holy communion (choral) at 11 a. m.

The music set for the morning service is as follows: Voluntary—Christmas Pastoral, Dethier; Processional Hymn—No. 40; Venite—As Set; Te Deum—As Set; Benedictus—Elvey (M. S.); Anthem—There Were Shepherds.

Kyrie—Dr. Gower (M. S.); Gloria—Russell; Hymn—No. 30; Communion—No. 32; Communion Interlude—M. S.; Gloria in Excelsis—Old Chant (M. S.); Amen—Seinfeld; St. John's Mission Recessional—Nun Dimittit, St. John (M. S.).

At St. James' the rector, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet will be the preacher of the day. The services will consist of communion at 8 a. m., matins and sermon at 11 o'clock and communion again at noon. The following is the music for the day: Hymn—No. 61; Cathedral Psalter; Te Deum; Benedictus; Barby Anthem—It Came Upon the Midnight Clear.

Soloist, Mrs. Cartwright; Hymns—No. 60 and 59; Kyrie—Sullivan; Communion Hymn—No. 323; Nunc Dimittit—Felton. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge will be the preacher of the day at the Christmas services in the church of our Lord. There will be services at 11 with sacrament at the close.

The musical service will be as follows: Voluntary—Pastoral Symphony—Handel; Opening Hymn—As Set for Christmas Day; Te Deum—Dykes; Jubilate—Dykes; Anthem—Behold I Bring You Good Tidings—Churchill.

Kyrie—Butler; Hymn—No. 88; Introit—Once in Bethlehem—Mauder; Hymn—No. 80. In St. John's church to-morrow special services will be held, the rector officiating. The order of the service is as follows:

Organ—O Thou That Tellest—Handel; Pro. Hymn—O Come, All Ye Faithful; Venite—As Set for Christmas Day; Te Deum—Dykes; Jubilate—Dykes; Anthem—O Zion That Bringest Glad Tidings—Hayes.

A special Christmas service will be held in the Metropolitan Methodist church at 11 o'clock to-morrow. Rev. G. W. Dean will preach. The service

will last exactly an hour, and special music will be rendered by the choir. Yesterday's Services. The approach of Christmas day was marked by special service in all the churches yesterday. While in the Anglican churches and the Metropolitan Methodist church there will be special services to-morrow, in the majority of the others, the preachers delivered their sermons upon the Christmas theme yesterday, the choirs rendered special music and the churches were specially decorated for the occasion.

A large congregation crowded St. John's church, when the choir gave a special musical service and a Christmas cantata, "The Story of the Nativity," by J. Varley Roberts. Two solos were sung by the Misses Lugin, including the new Christmas song composed by the organist. The tenor recitatives and solos were sung by John Petch. In the morning the rector preached upon the Christmas theme.

In the church of our Lord the morning service was specially for the children, with whom the church was packed. The subject of the address was "The Wonderful Baby." The decorations were in evergreens, an arch of which was placed over the communion rail. Special Christmas music by the choir was rendered both morning and evening.

The services at the Metropolitan Methodist church yesterday were conducted morning and evening by the pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams. In the morning he took as his subject, "Emanuel, God with us." In the evening he preached from the text, "And the Word was God." The church was very nicely decorated in honor of the Christmas tide. The color scheme was red and green, ivy and holly being employed, the latter with its red berries lending a very fine effect. Across the pipes of the organ, upon a white ground in gold letters, was the word, "Emanuel," while in the nave the lights spelled the words "Star of Bethlehem." Large attendances marked both services, and special music was rendered.

In the Centennial Methodist church, Rev. S. J. Thompson, the pastor, preached in the morning on the subject, "The Wonderful Name." In the evening upon "The Supremacy of Christ." The choir rendered special Christmas anthems at each service.

At St. Andrew's Presbyterian church sermons on special Christmas themes were delivered by the pastor, Rev. W. L. Clay. In the morning he took as his subject, "The Star that never declines," while in the evening his subject was "Christian Joy." Special music interspersed with solos were rendered by the choir.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, of the First Presbyterian church, preached yesterday morning on the subject of "The Birth of Christ." Special Christmas music was rendered by the choir, and the church was suitably decorated. In the evening a song service was held, the pastor delivering a short address on the subject, "The music and hymnology of the church."

"Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace," was the subject in the evening at the Congregational church, upon which the pastor, Rev. Herman A. Carson, preached an eloquent sermon. At the morning service special music was rendered by the choir, the pastor preaching from the subject, "The message of Christ of Bethlehem."

At Calvary Baptist church yesterday the pastor, Rev. F. T. Tapscott, spoke in the morning on the subject of "The alleged non-fulfillment of Messianic prophecy." In the evening he took as his subject "The purpose of the Divine incarnation." Special Christmas music, both morning and evening, gratified the large attendance. The church was specially decorated.

LOCAL NEWS. —Lovely Saxony wool fascinators and shawls, very choice. Robinson's. —Pennock, the jeweler, is selling diamonds this Xmas at last Xmas prices. 74 Yates street.

At Wenger's jewelry removal sale, 15 to 30 per cent. discount. 90 Government street.

—His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor will hold a reception at Government House on New Year's day, from three to six p.m.

—A further donation of \$7.50 from the Y.M.C.A. of L.A. district is gratefully acknowledged by the honorary treasurer of the Protestant Orphan's Home.

—During the week ending on Friday last 138,334.300 gallons of water passed over the main weir at Lavender swamp in the Highland district, an average of 18,000,000 gallons a day.

—Steamer Venture arrived from northern British Columbia ports this morning. The vessel brought a good load of freight, which she is discharging at the outer wharf.

—The Times staff is to-day smoking the health of C. A. Harrison, of the Drift hotel, who remembered them with a box of cigars. Merry Christmas to him, may he live long and prosper.

—The eastern turkeys for the local market, which have been delayed in transit, have at last reached Victoria. Two cars of the birds arrived at noon yesterday over the E. & N. railway and a car load arrived on the Charnier last evening. There is still one more car load of the poultry on the way, and these should get here by to-morrow. The birds are retailing at 25 cents a pound.

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REALTY BUSINESS QUIET.

Holiday Season Has Created a Little Lull in the Market.

The holiday season has placed a temporary quietus on the real estate market. A number of the real estate offices are locked up to-day with notices appearing that they will remain closed until Wednesday.

Towards the end of the week Thomas Mollett, of Pender Island, disposed of a large farm containing several hundred acres, the price being, it is said, \$12,000. The purchaser is an Eastern farmer who intends entering the agricultural business on a large scale. The only sale reported to-day is that of an acre on Oak street, in the northern suburbs of the city.

Buy your presents at Wenger's jewelry removal sale and save 10 per cent. to 30 per cent. 90 Government street.

—Law vacation is now on until after the Christmas season. There are accordingly no sittings of the court to-day.

—A number of the Mystic Shriners of Victoria gathered in the saloon of the steamship Indianapolis yesterday afternoon, soon after the vessel's arrival from Seattle, and made a presentation of a handsome pair of gold cuff links to Purser John Lytle. Mr. Lytle has been a great many years on the Spanish route, and it was in recognition of the many kindnesses shown members of the local Temple of Shriners, of which he is a member, that the gift was made. The presentation was made by S. Sea on behalf of those who accompanied him and the Temple mentioned.

WHEELER—At Victoria, B. C., on Dec. 24th, to the wife of Herbert Wheeler, White Horse, Y. T., a daughter.

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THE VATICAN AND SEPARATION LAW

PROTEST AGAINST ACTION OF FRENCH CABINET

Papal Secretary Requests Ministers to Communicate Note to Their Respective Governments.

Rome, 21.—The following is a detailed summary of the note issued by the Vatican as a protest against the course of the French government and forwarded to all the Papal representatives abroad:

"The note protested primarily that the rights of religion have been outraged by the French government's action in preventing the head of the church from communicating with the French hierarchy by the expulsion from France of Mgr. Montagnini, secretary of the Papal nunciature at Paris. The question of the inalienability of the archives of the nunciature is not touched upon, it being pointed out that the authorities on international law do not agree upon what constitutes the duty of a state in the matter of documents left behind by the representatives of a foreign power with which relations have been broken, when the interests of this power had not been entrusted to a third friendly power."

Continuing, the note says: "The representatives of the Holy See abroad have also received a circular in which are set forth the motives for the action of the Vatican regarding the application of the church and state separation law of 1905. These motives are so grave that it is evidently impossible to accuse the Holy See of intransigence or of unjust hostility to the French government in condemning the cultural associations which disregard the 'essential rights' which the church derived from her constitution, such as maintaining an ecclesiastical hierarchy established by her, Divine Father as the basis of the organization of the church; in fact the law conferred on the cultural associations rights which not only belong exclusively to the ecclesiastical authorities in the practice of worship and of possession and administration of ecclesiastical property, but the same associations were rendered independent of the ecclesiastical hierarchy, and instead were placed under the jurisdiction of the authorities. The Pontiff could not approve of such associations without being lax in his duties as head of the church and without trampling on the fundamental domestic principle of the church."

"The same can be said of M. Briand's circular. The Holy See could not admit the unjust and untenable condition which the circular imposed upon the clergy in the exercise of their duties. All this evidently seems that the Holy See merely did its duty strictly in giving instructions on the subject to the French clergy. If the French government was animated by calmer sentiments it could create for the church in France a situation which at least would not injure the essential rights of the Holy See, which might, even without admitting the principle of the separation of church and state, tolerate such a situation in order to avoid worse evils as it did in the case of other countries."

The Papal secretary of state, Cardinal Merry Del Val, to-day communicated the text to the members of the diplomatic corps accredited to the Vatican, with the request that it be communicated to their governments. The note will be officially brought to the attention of the United States government by Mgr. Falconi, apostolic delegate at Washington.

New Measure Passed.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The government's new religious measure was received with enthusiasm in the chamber of deputies to-day, and the bill carried by a vote of 413 to 166. The supporters of the bill consider that this legislation will greatly strengthen the position of the present ministry for the continuance of the struggle with the Vatican.

The discussion of the bill was short and was confined to speeches by members of the various political groups. Minister of Education Briand made a great impression, especially by his statement that the government never intended to close the churches nor interfere with the individual conscience, as this would permit the clergy to assume the attitude of being persecuted. The cabinet, he said, decided to retain the formality of a declaration for holding meetings in order not to capitulate to the Vatican, which was acting contrary to French law.

Excommunicated.

Tours, Dec. 21.—The Archbishop of Tours to-day published an excommunicated a commissary of police for ordering the doors of the seminary here to be broken in as a result of the opposition of the students to the carrying out of the provisions of the law of 1905.

ANNUITY FUND

For Employees of the International and Other Government Railways.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Shortly after parliament reassembles Hon. H. R. Emmerson will introduce a bill to establish an annuity fund for employees on the Inter-Colonial and other government railways. One and one-half per cent. per month of the employees wages will be deducted from this fund, and there can be taken from time to time from the gross earnings up to \$100,000 per year, which is the maximum. The minister says this amount will not be necessary. On the contrary, by the retirement of men whom it will be necessary to replace there will be large savings.

PREMIER SCOTT ILL

Regina, Sask., Dec. 22.—Premier Walter Scott is suffering from pneumonia. His temperature is 104°, and while the doctors still have to run his course no serious results are feared.

CANADIAN NOTES.

Daring Burglar at Lethbridge—Mate of Finnish Ship Dies From Exposure.

Lethbridge, Alta., Dec. 22.—A bold burglary occurred here this morning. With the blinds up and many lights burning, a man effected an entrance into Higginbotham's drug store at the corner of the two principal business streets, at 7 o'clock, and proceeded to load himself with all the attractive goods in sight, chiefly stealing silver, glass, ebony goods and perfumery. To avoid suspicion he threw open the front door as various passers by were watching him. The police were notified and in making the arrest the showcases were broken. The thief gave his name Collins Nicolson. He was postmarked and a bad looking character.

Mate's Death.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 22.—The first mate of the Finnish ship Sovento, wrecked at Priest Pond on the north shore of the island last month, died yesterday from exposure. He was one of seven men that reached shore after being thrown out of a lifeboat.

Wanted in Portland.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 22.—W. T. Taft, who is wanted in Portland, Ore., for forgery, was taken to that city yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Leonard.

Suicide in Barn.

Edmonton, Dec. 21.—Thomas Hallett, of this city, committed suicide yesterday at his residence by hanging himself in a barn, at the rear of his lot. Hallett came to Edmonton to year or so ago from Whitby, and for some time was manager of Hutton's livery stable. He leaves a wife and eight children, the oldest, Albert, being employed at Calgary.

Perished in Blizzard.

Medicine Hat, Sask., Dec. 21.—The Sounding Lake detachment of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police reports having found the bodies which Albert LaRoche, a well known young rancher, took with him from that point on November 26th on a search for lost stock. The young man was caught in a blizzard in the country between Sounding Lake and Red Deer River. As there are no habitations within 25 miles of where the men separated and snow is still on the ground, no hopes are entertained that he is still alive.

Drunks Released.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—It has been discovered that a clause in the city charter makes it impossible for the magistrate to imprison drunks, and 52 at present in jail were released to-day.

Fireman Killed.

Brantford, Dec. 22.—Fireman Drymond, of Brantford, was killed and Fireman Knight injured by a stalled train backed down hill into an engine and cars in which were the men.

THE ENTOMBED MINER.

Reguere Still at Work and Hicks Will Probably Be Released To-day.

Bakersfield, Cal., Dec. 22.—"Hicks will be released," had become a common-place remark last night. A number of crevices have been brought to view which lead directly to Hicks. Not only is conversation possible through these crevices, but it was found that small articles could be lowered by means of a string through the cracks to the captive miner. A lighted candle was dropped to Hicks, and he was by the reflection from its glare able to survey the scenes of his earth enclosure. He reported that the sudden introduction of the light did not affect his eyes, that indeed he would be willing to sacrifice one eye just to get the sight of the precious rays of the sun. The crevices disclose the fact that the company engineers have been correct in their calculations. The candle was dropped on a string eighteen inches long, and it struck plumb at the side of the ore car, proving exactly where Assistant Engineer Hall and his assistants planned to arrive. It is hoped to release Hicks to-day.

ASHES STILL FALLING.

Naples, Dec. 22.—Another portion of the crater of Mount Vesuvius fell yesterday. Within the last two days the rim of the crater has been lowered about 80 feet. The rain of ashes which began yesterday continues to-day over all the villages at the foot of the mountain.

GOLD FOR BANK OF ENGLAND.

London, Dec. 21.—The Bank of England's stock of gold was increased to-day by \$3,550,000 made up of \$250,000 in bar gold, \$1,000,000 in American eagles purchased here, and \$2,300,000 in sovereigns received from Paris.

It is rumored that the bank refrains from raising its discount rates on assurance that the United States would not take any gold from London.

IRISH SECRETARYSHIP.

Dublin, Dec. 22.—The Evening News to-day stated that negotiations have been in progress for some time with Sir. A. G. B. West, succeeding James Bryce as chief secretary for Ireland.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

W. R. McConnell, the well known lawyer, died in London, Eng., on Thursday. Among the celebrated cases in which he participated was the Maybrick trial. On that occasion he acted as one of the counsel for the prosecution. He was born in Ireland in 1837.

A. Truine, a farmer residing near Binghamton, was killed near Waverly, N. Y., on Friday by an eastbound train. Mr. Truine had been to Waverly to purchase Christmas goods for his family.

MINERS' HALL DESTROYED.

The Miners' hall hall at Ymir was destroyed by fire last week. The building was one of the first store buildings erected at Ymir and was a landmark, being owned by J. W. Masterson, of the Ymir hotel. It was occupied by the Ymir Miners' Union and their loss will be about \$400. The Ladies' Guild of Ymir, used one of the rooms for their meetings and they lost all of the furniture, their loss being about \$200. The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church had a piano in the hall and this was completely ruined, their loss being estimated at about \$300. The building was valued at about \$3,500, upon which there was a \$1,000 mortgage. The cause of the fire is unknown.

CAR SHORTAGE.

Lumber and Shingle Manufacturers Will Take Action.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 22.—The Mississippi Valley Lumberman, a prominent organ of the Western lumber trade, announces to-day that the lumber and shingle manufacturers of the Pacific Coast have taken steps looking to an application for receivers for certain railroads. It is admitted that the properties are perfectly solvent, but the attack is being made on the ground that the roads have forfeited their charters through insufficient service.

Trying to Relieve Situation.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 22.—G. A. Prouty, a member of the inter-state commerce commission, said to-day: "The damage to grain and cattle shippers in the South and West, especially in Texas and Oklahoma, from car shortage conditions cannot be estimated. Active and stringent methods will have to be adopted to relieve the situation."

CHURCH UNION.

Joint Committee Prepares Report on Recent Meeting in Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—The secretaries of the joint committee on church union, representing the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational churches, have prepared their report of the proceedings of the meeting of the committee, which was held in this city on December 12th, 13th and 14th. Of 154 members 119 were in attendance, 28 Presbyterians, 54 Methodists and 16 Congregationalists. The report includes the full text of the reports of sub-committees on church policy and ministers, which were both considerably changed from the form in which they were held out last year.

HERRING VESSELS RELEASED.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 22.—The United States tug Potomac has cut out the entire fleet of herring vessels which was frozen in at the Bay of Islands, without discrimination as to nationality, clearing American, Canadian and Newfoundland vessels alike. The tug also escorted the vessels to safe anchorages. The skippers of all the vessels praise the commander of the Potomac warmly. A gale moderated the cold to-day. The tugs are now clear and the fishing has been resumed.

PERSONAL.

J. C. Pitts, a prominent business man of Windermere, B. C., arrived in the city last night, and will spend a month visiting his family, who have been in Victoria since August. He will probably take up his permanent residence here at a later date.

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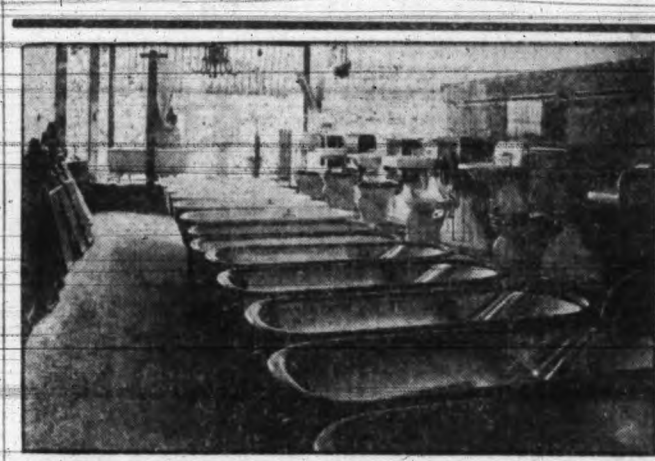
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Sing me a song of the place;
And though it is filled with laughter,
Let it be pure and strong.

Sing of the hearts illumined over
With the story of the day;
Of the echo of childish voices
That will not die away.

Of the blare of the tinsel bugle,
And the timeless clatter and beat
Of the drum that throbs to muster
Squadrons of scurrying feet.

But, O, let your voice fall fainter,
Till, blent with a minor tone,
You temper your song with the beauty
Of the city's Christ-hath-shown.

And sing one verse for the voiceless;
And yet, ere the song be done,
A voice for the ears that hear not,
And a verse for the sightless one.

For though it be time for singing
A merry Christmas cheer,
Let a low sweet voice of pathos
Run through the melody.

A CRISIS.

If the resignation of Hon. R. F. Green, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works in the McBride government, had been announced several months ago it would have been received as a matter of course and as the inevitable result of the revelations connected with the peculiar manner in which the townsite of Prince Rupert was transferred from the province to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company. But coming on the eve of a provincial general election and after iteration and reiteration on the part of members of the administration that the "deal was a good one in the interests of the country," and could be justified before any tribunal, including the tribunal of public opinion, the retirement of the Chief Commissioner cannot be regarded as other than a sensational episode in the career of the government. It is either the consequence of the pressure of public opinion, which the ministers have been diligently weighing for some weeks as a preliminary step to dissolution, or the result of a force in this case equally potent and more direct in its influence and unmistakably giving expression to public opinion.

It is well known that the government would have announced the dissolution of the legislature some little time ago had there not been obstacles in the way. It may be assumed that the retirement of the Chief Commissioner has removed one of the obstructions and that early in the year, at the latest, the anticipated proclamation will be issued.

The resignation of Mr. Green creates a second vacancy in the cabinet. The portfolio lately held by Mr. Wilson as Attorney-General has not been delivered into the hands of a new administrative head for reasons which have never been explained, but which can readily be understood. The Premier must fill his cabinet before making the appeal he has decided upon, and which he dreads, notwithstanding the boldness of his declarations that the political sentiment of the province is strong behind him.

Notwithstanding the disregard for public opinion Hon. R. F. Green displayed in his public relations with some of the persons connected with the Klamath deal, he was generally admitted to be an efficient administrator of the Lands and Works department, and his retirement, which was under compulsion whatever his late colleagues or the organs of the gov-

ernment may say, will materially weaken a government whose chief strength was its willingness to sacrifice any principles it ever possessed in order to retain the support of the revolutionaries in the House and power.

It is not at all probable the Premier will dare to bring on two by-elections in the face of the state of demoralization the retirement of the Chief Commissioner will create in his forces. Still an entirely new and unexpected situation has arisen, a state of affairs which was not anticipated by either the government or its supporters, and it is possible some desperate expedients may be resorted to in order to retain for a short time longer the lease of power which has been bought at such a tremendous price in prestige, not to the government, which never had any, but to the Conservative party.

JAMES BRYCE, AMBASSADOR.

We observe that some of our Canadian contemporaries are indulging in rather sarcastic references to the appointment of Mr. James Bryce as British ambassador at Washington. It is assumed, although we do not know why it should be, that the new ambassador, who is a great admirer of the American nation and has almost idealized its institutions in some of his literary works, may be inclined to foster rather than attempt to curb the disposition which has been so manifest of late years on the part of British statesmen and diplomats to attempt to purchase American good will at the cost of Canadian interests. We believe it will be found that Mr. Bryce is not that kind of a man. He comes of a stock that has always abhorred compromises; in his public career he has invariably acted upon the principle that straight and honorable dealings between nations is the surest, the safest and the only honorable way to the permanent settlement of misunderstandings. He is too conscientious and straightforward, not having been "finished" in the school of diplomacy, to countenance anything that savors of tortuous methods in settling the grave misunderstandings that occasionally arise between nations. Mr. Bryce is not a disciple of the old diplomatic school; and if by reason of his training he should prove a mere twig to be bent at will in the hands of the "new diplomats" at Washington, we do not fear for any cause of Canada that may require adjustment. We have taken our affairs into our own keeping now, and will insist upon having a direct voice in their final disposition. There can be no repetition of the Alaska boundary fiasco.

Our American neighbors already have their arms outstretched to receive Mr. Bryce. They think they observe in him a man who understands and appreciates the peculiar genius of their works and institutions. He will be a favorite at the capital at least until he learns directly that the system he was written about so enthusiastically is not without its weaknesses. If he should be tempted to speak of such discoveries publicly we know what would happen to Mr. Bryce. The New York Post, in commenting upon the appointment, appears to speak with the voice of nearly all American newspapers of the higher class when it says that "no Englishman could be more welcome as ambassador to this country than James Bryce, for no Englishman has a similar understanding of our institutions or greater sympathy for the problems which this nation is trying to work out. Few of his countrymen have ever performed such valuable service for the United States as did Mr. Bryce through his great work, 'The American Commonwealth.' Moreover, Mr. Bryce has an acquaintance among American public men of both parties which is unequalled among foreigners. Unlike any one else, he would not have to spend months in studying this country, but would assume his duties with a clearer understanding of the elements which go to make up our political life than most Americans themselves. Aside from all this, on the personal side Mr. Bryce's appointment would be most popular."

The Times will not be issued to-morrow, because, like all Christendom, we shall rest from our labors, and we take this opportunity of wishing our readers and all the people of this farthest West, the twentieth century Land of Promise, a very Merry Christmas.

THE SOUND ROUTES.

The Seattle Times says: "It has been announced definitely at the office of the Alaska Steamship Company that the steamship Indianapolis will be transferred from the Victoria route to the Tacoma, a run in direct opposition to the steamboat Iroquois, about April 1st. The steamboat Iroquois, expected in March from New York, will go on the run to the British Columbia city in place of the Indianapolis, pending the arrival of the steamship Chippewa. The latter vessel will then replace the Iroquois, and the Bellingham route will be covered by this ship.

When the Indianapolis enters competition with the Iroquois, she will have a seating capacity for more than 600 persons. On the boat deck aft, the company will build an observation room of glass, with seats for 100 persons. The cabin and smoking room seats about 250 persons, and there are seats on the deck for 250 more passengers.

"Both the Iroquois and Chippewa will be ready to enter the Sound trade in April. The vessel is to be converted into oil burners upon their arrival here."

WRECKAGE FROM A LARGE STEAMSHIP

HAS DRIFTED ASHORE
NEAR CLO-OOSE ROCKS

Body Seen But Could Not Be Recovered
—New Steamer Lines From Sound.

On Saturday evening Capt. Gaudin, agent of marine and fisheries, received a telegraphic message from Light-keeper Daykin at Carmanah telling that a body had been washed ashore on the rocks between Clo-oose and Carmanah. The corpse was seen at low water, and at high tide disappeared before the lightkeeper had an opportunity of recovering it. The message also stated that some boat wreckage from some large steamer had also drifted ashore, but gave no further information.

If confirmed it is reasonable to suppose that a vessel of large dimensions has gone to grief somewhere off the coast.

BOUGHT VALUABLE CARGO.

One of the most valuable cargoes to arrive from the Orient this season was that of the steamer Athenian, which reached the outer wharf on Saturday afternoon. The C. P. R. vessel brought 3,000 bales of raw and manufactured silk goods, the total value of which was approximately \$2,000,000; besides 150 casks of sealskins and 8 casks of sea otter skins, which are valued at \$500 each. The sealskin consignment comprised practically the whole of the Japanese catch, and was sent from Hakodate and Yokohama to C. M. Lamson's sale rooms in London, via Canada. There were also several shipments of cigars, rice and general freight. The value of the vessel's cargo can be estimated from the fact that \$30,000 was paid for freights also.

There were 65 passengers aboard, divided equally between the saloon and steerage. The steerage was made up entirely of blind, and among the saloon passengers were Capt. A. E. Ellis and Capt. Yaneberg, the latter formerly in the United States coast guard service in Mindanao and now engaged in commerce at Manila; Rev. John Lake, a missionary from Shanghai, W. P. and Mrs. Heers, Zur Sun Ben and Miss Kim Kim Ben, Miss C. Bostock, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Burns, R. Dunn, brother of a Victoria florist, M. Marchant, J. Robertson, H. Shearer, M. J. Shea, Mrs. C. Wilson.

According to advices brought by the Athenian, a catastrophe was caused

near Akita, Japan, by the explosion of a floating mine. The mine was washed up on the shore of Katagata, Michikawan, Yuri district, prefecture of Akita, and attracted a big crowd of people. While the crowd was pressing about it, examining it, the mine exploded, killing 10 and wounding 56.

The Tango Maru, which left Victoria on the 13th ult., reached Yokohama three days overdue, having encountered a very severe storm on the trip.

After clearing the Straits a heavy gale was met, and the bad weather continued for several days. A cabin was smashed in by the force of the sea and a sailor was washed overboard and drowned.

The Athenian left for Vancouver at 5 p. m. after landing mails.

A TOTAL LOSS.

The steamer Henrietta, of the McKenzie fleet, Vancouver, has returned from the scene of the wreck of the steamer Themis, where she was unable to accomplish very much salvage work. At high water there is nothing showing of the wreck, and as the doomed craft's bow and stern overhang on a rock into deep water, it is thought that probably by this time the back of the ship has been broken. Not a ton of the ship's cargo could be saved, and it is believed that much of the 1,600 tons of ore which was carried has already gone to the bottom. Indians have been helping themselves to the canned salmon, which has come ashore in the vicinity, it being estimated that not far from 100 tons of this freight was left in the hold of the vessel when the steamer sailed on Wednesday last. Diver Moore, of Vancouver, went north on the Henrietta for the purpose of examining the wreck, but found upon arrival that the sea was too rough to permit of this being done. The steering gear, however, was recovered, also four steam winches, two large life boats, several pairs of davits and other deck equipment.

NEW SERVICE PROJECTED.
Seattle is to have a direct steamship service with North China ports, Frank Waterhouse & Co. and Andrew Weir & Co. will begin jointly the operation of the new line in January, using six steamships carrying from 5,500 tons to 12,000 tons, the latest type of the ocean freighter, says the Seattle Times.

"President Waterhouse announces that the steamships will give a regular service between Puget Sound ports, British Columbia and Hakodate, Vladivostok, Tsingtau, Tientsin, Peking, New Chwang, calling either way at Chemulpo, Chinnampo, and other Korean ports, when the inducement warrants sending the vessels there.

The line is prepared to furnish all the tonnage that is now required in the trade, or will be required in the future, for the movement of cargo to and from Puget Sound ports at current rates, says Mr. Waterhouse. We are also prepared to furnish vessels during the open season of 1907 from Puget Sound to Nikolaevsk, providing sufficient cargo offers as likely will be the case.

A NORTHLAND CAROL

The trail lies dim thro' timbered shades
Where keen cold moonbeams fall between—
The trodden footway faints and fades
Amidst the night black evergreen.

Yet one goes homeward to his camp
Untrammelled of the hedging dark;
The sunken snow his only lamp.
In silent haste he speeds—but, hark!

From out the North there comes a voice
So far and faint as scarcely heard—
"Rejoice!" and yet again "Rejoice!"
And bright stars twinkle to the word:

"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Three times the winter's night was filled
With cavi of the doubting owl;
And thrice the soulless echoes thrilled
A lone coyote's hopeless howl;

And once and twice and thrice again
The sinews of a tortured tree
Beneath the cold heart crushing strain
Snapped, with a gasp of agony.

So much there is of sound alone
To tell of life in strife with death
Until a voice of joyful tone
The fourfold sky encompasseth.

"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

In wondering awe the listener stood—
"Oh, Lord, how long ago was this?"
"The years have changed—this age old wood
Hath grown of seed since then; I wis—

This wood I know—these times I know
This world I walk from hem to hem
By dusty road and path of snow—
Yet never have seen Bethlehem.

What virtue lingers in the cry
Of questioned birth so far away?
To him the voice made low reply:
"A thousand years are as one day."

"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Lo, Christmas morn dawns in the East!
Ten centuries of sorry fears
Are twice forgotten at the Feast,
The stars swing smiling thro' the night

Untroubled that the rising sun
Soars ever nightless, for despite
Man's toll of days, all day is one.
The sun shines on—the night stars shine

Rejoicing that the Feast is spread;
This day of all is mine and thine;
Count not the years—he comforted—
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

The trail shows dim thro' lightened shades
Whence waning moonbeams pine and pass.
The dawn-lit shrubs and everglades
Take fairy form of curious mass—

Above the ridge the steeppled pine
Signals the rising of the sun,
And icicles all silver shine
And diamond ice drops melt and run

From golden branch to gilded bough.
Beneath her crust of snow, the earth
Stirs, and the world is shouting now.
"Awake, and blazon wide the Birth!"

"One day is as a thousand years—
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

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"Regarding the establishment of a service between Seattle and Australian ports, Waterhouse said: The question is still under consideration, and we will have something to announce regarding the steamship service to Australia as soon as several matters are settled."

The vessels to be used in the North China trade are the Gymeric, 5,200 tons; Boveric, 7,200 tons; Inveric, 7,200 tons; Aymeric, 8,200 tons; Suveric, 12,500 tons, and the Quito, 5,500 tons. The Suveric and the Gymeric will be dispatched from Seattle in January, and in February the Boveric and Quito will clear. The Inveric is the only vessel so far scheduled to sail in March. The Suveric and Boveric were launched last year, and the Gymeric was put in commission in 1905. The Quito and Gymeric were built in 1900, and the Inveric in 1901.

COMBINE BROKEN.

The Alaska Steamship Association, organized several years ago to maintain freight schedules on the run to Southeastern Alaska is no more. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has withdrawn from the organization, says the Seattle Times. The reported investigation of the grand jury at Juneau and the fact that the association might be regarded as a trust by government officers no doubt resulted in the dissolution of the combination. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has served notice of its withdrawal from the association, and it is likely that each company will issue separate tariffs in January.

SEALING ARRANGEMENTS.

The directors of the Victoria Sealing Company will hold a meeting in the board of trade rooms on Friday, when the dividend for the year will be declared and arrangements made for the forthcoming season. A rumor has been circulated to the effect that a dividend of \$1 a share, 8 1/2 per cent., will be declared, but no confirmation can be obtained until the directors make an official statement. It is likely that the same number of vessels will be sent out by the company next season and two additional independent schooners will leave for the sealing grounds. They are the Ella G., which, in charge of Capt. Voss, is now hunting off the coast, and the Thomas F. Bayard, which has been purchased from its owners at Seattle by local sealers. The three independent schooners which were out last season will again be sent out.

MARINE NOTES.

R. M. S. Empress of India will leave for the Orient to-morrow. She has a full load of freight and a good number of passengers.

The R. M. S. Empress of Britain arrived at Liverpool at 4 a. m. on Saturday.

FUND FOR MRS. PATERSON.

Detailed List of Disbursements and Total Amount Received.

The total amount collected by the Local Council of Women for the purpose of presenting Mrs. T. Paterson with a Christmas purse was \$27.50, which was disbursed as follows:
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Gold Locket 2.50
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Purse 5.00
Balance forwarded Mrs. Paterson, 23.50
Total \$27.50
Donors' and donors' new contributions by Mrs. Oliver and Mrs. Griffiths, and \$2 was received anonymously from St. James' church.

NINE PERSONS REPORTED
KILLED ON RAILWAY

(Associated Press.)
St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 24.—At least nine people were killed in the wreck of an eastbound Soo limited train near Enderlin, N. D., yesterday.

The train was the eastbound limited from Moose Jaw to St. Paul. She ran into a switch engine, which was standing on the main track, and the entire train was derailed and several cars telescoped.

W. H. Burkholder brought to the Times office this morning a cluster of strawberries, grown at his residence at the corner of Queen and Cook street. The berries were well formed and matured, and are another testimonial to the mildness of the climate of Victoria.

Last evening Chief of Police Langley received a wire from the Nanaimo police asking him to intercept a man named Wilson, who had taken a young girl away from her home and was on the way to Seattle. The train from Nanaimo was met at the station last evening in consequence of this message, and the girl, who is not yet fifteen years of age, was taken to the police station. This afternoon her relatives took her home. Wilson is a man of thirty-five. He does not belong to Nanaimo, but has been working there for some time past. The girl left a ring with the police, which had been given to her by Wilson, and the latter called at the station shortly after her departure and claimed it.

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At to-night's meeting of the city council the aldermen will probably deal with four by-laws. The by-laws amending the electric light wiring and building by-laws will be reconsidered, adopted and finally passed; the Roman Catholic addition to the Ross Bay cemetery by-law will be up for consideration, and a new by-law providing for the enforcement of sewer connections will make its initial appearance.

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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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—The Local Council of Women extends its thanks to E. B. McKay, supervisor-general, for his services in preparing and illuminating the address to Mrs. T. Paterson, of Cape Beale.

—Our slaughter sale commences Wednesday, the 26th. No reserves—everything reduced. Best value not in it with our sale. Come early while you have the choice of the goods. Robinson's cash store, 86 Yates street.

—A League game of football will be played at Oak Bay tomorrow morning between Victoria West and Rover teams. Play will commence at 10.45, and the Victoria team will line up on the field as follows: A. Stevens, goal; J. Temple and J. Marsh, full backs; G. Fairall, W. Fairall and S. Prevost, half backs; S. O'Neil, J. W. O'Neil, W. Craske, G. A. O'Neil and Patmore, forwards; reserves, Costella, Miller and G. J. Fairall.

—Peter Fraser, a Songhees Indian, was found by the city police with intoxicants in his possession. In the police court this morning Magistrate Hall fined him \$27 with the option of a month's imprisonment. The money was not forthcoming, and Pete will eat his Christmas dinner in jail. Stella Barrett, a vagrant, was arrested on a warrant for failing to appear in answer to a summons. She pleaded not guilty and was remanded until the 26th inst. Two drunks also figured in the dock. One pleaded not guilty and was remanded and the other left the court minus several dollars, a wiser and poorer man.

—Frank Barnsley, proprietor of the Arcade, 111 Douglas street, wishes to thank the public of Victoria for their very liberal patronage at the Arcade opening on Saturday last, and at the same time to state that the cause of some of the machines being temporarily out of order was owing to a fault of the machines, which are the very latest, but to the fact of some boys putting in slugs, buttons, cardboard, etc. "This without exception caused patrons much annoyance, and much unnecessary work to myself and three assistants," said Mr. Barnsley. "Any boy detected in the future will be punished, as the machines are put out of action, and they do not benefit the culprits, as machines will only operate with the proper one-cent coins, which are supplied by the cashier at the Arcade."

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—The party of missionaries who left here on November 27th on the Empress of China reached Shanghai on Saturday, the 15th, sharp on time. A cable from Rev. E. W. Wallace, one of the party, says "Whole party arrived safely."



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PERSONAL

AL Lindsay, of R. Dunsmuir & Sons, who has been at the ROYAL JUBILEE hospital for over a week undergoing treatment for a minor trouble, will leave for California in a few days for the benefit of his health.

J. A. Browne, local manager for McMillan & Co. of Minneapolis, who is at present confined at the hospital, is making a good recovery and will probably be home in about ten days.

D. E. Campbell has gone East to spend Christmas with his wife and children, who have been visiting in the East for some time. Mrs. Campbell and family will return with him.

Mrs. A. B. Ellis, of 6 Menzies street, who has been in failing health for some time past, left on the last outgoing boat for San Francisco, where she will probably spend the remainder of the winter.

The many friends of Mrs. Tatlow, wife of the minister of finance, will be pleased to know that she is rapidly recovering, and will probably leave the Jubilee hospital this evening.

Mrs. and Miss Hilda Pithrick, of Salt Spring Island, are spending a few days in the city with friends.

Mrs. George Stealy leaves for Tacoma this evening to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. A. H. Hardest.

D. W. Higgins, editor of the Vancouver World, is in the city and will spend the holidays with his people here.

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Sporting News

THE RING

KAUFFMAN WON.

At Los Angeles on Friday night, Geo. Gardner, of Lowell, Mass., was forced to lower his colors to Al. Kauffman, of California, in the 14th round of a fight scheduled to go 20 rounds. Defeat was acknowledged by the seconds of the Massachusetts men throwing up the sponge.

The fight was a slow one and neither man showed any cleverness. Kauffman had Gardner all but out in the second and again in the 14th round, but Gardner's ability to hold on saved him from a knock-out. Gardner appeared decidedly awkward in the ring and his blows were low and without effect when he landed. In the early rounds he seemed to lack confidence, and though he showed aggressiveness in the last round, was wary of the San Francisco man. Kauffman had a strong punch, but fought with blue vigor. Kauffman's weight was 165 pounds, Gardner was 152 pounds lighter. The blow that ended the fight was a stiff right to the jaw, which rendered Gardner helpless and caused his seconds to throw a towel into the ring. Gardner was so far gone during the last round that he fell to the mat twice from sheer weakness and took the count of 9 each time.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

A DRAW.

The Wanderers-Garrison match in the Victoria District League on Saturday last ended in a draw, the game proving of little interest owing to the condition of the grounds, which in places were covered with water. A cross wind soon further complicated matters.

During the initial half, the Garrison side seemed the better of the play, the wind being slightly in their favor. The Wanderers, however, scored the first goal on a free kick from forward. Just before half time the Garrison scored the score. On changing ends, the Wanderers with the wind in their favor pressed the Garrison somewhat. The latter pulled, however, and the next goal was kicked by them in the midst of a mix-up between two opposing players. Though for some time the Wanderers pressed the Garrison hard it was not until the closing minutes of the second half that the goal was shot which made the final score 2-2.

ROVERS, 4, FIFTH REGIMENT, 1.

The Rovers, who head the league, still further bettered their chances for the championship by defeating the Fifth Regiment on Saturday by a score of four to one. The game throughout was a good one, and though the Regiment began the game with a man short, when finally their team was completed they pressed the Rovers hard.

At half time the score was one to nothing for the latter, and shortly after play was resumed another was scored. The Regiment then succeeded in planting one between the posts. With the score two to one the game grew exciting. Finally the third was scored by Shanks for the Rovers. The following with a fourth.

EGERIA, 2; Y. M. C. A., 1.

In a match on Beacon Hill Saturday

the football team from the Egeria defeated the Y. M. C. A. aggregation by a score of two to one. The game was even throughout, neither side scoring in the first half. In the second, the first point was secured by the sailors, only to be shortly evened by the Y. M. C. A. Not until a minute or so before time was called did the sailors again do the deed.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

STANFORD V. VANCOUVER.

The Stanford football team, which will play the Vancouver fifteen to-morrow, arrived in the Terminal City on Saturday. Capt. Stott states that the players are in good shape, though a trifle tired from the journey.

The game on Christmas day is the first international struggle in the history of the West.

The "All-Vancouver" team finished training Friday, and is in good condition.

SKATING

ANOTHER RACE PROPOSED.

Several local men announce that they will complete in the amateur race which will be held in the New Year. It is probable that there will be enough entries to make the event of considerable interest.

The proposed contest was decided upon owing to the interest displayed in the recent contest between Bell and Lawrence.

HOCKEY.

LADIES' TEAM SELECTED.

The team to represent the Victoria Ladies' Hockey Club in the match with Nanaimo on Saturday is as follows: Goal, Miss Jay; backs, Misses Beckett and Lowe; half backs, Misses Cook, Nicholles and Hiscocks; forwards, Misses Atkinson, Raymond, Wilson, Clark and Roberts.

SPRINGS TURN TO STONE.

Hierapolis is a strange ruined city of Asia Minor. It was founded about 200 B.C., and a large part of the place has been buried by the petrifying water of hot springs. The country around Hierapolis is to-day infested with brigands. A traveller who visited the place under an armed guard of Turkish soldiers says:

"The temperature of the springs is that of a very warm bath, and while hot there is not a trace of that petrifying element which renders the waters so remarkable after they have cooled and causes them to turn to stone every object they encounter after very slight immersion. The swimming bath itself is about fifty to sixty feet in length, and in many places from twelve to fifteen feet deep, and is to-day almost as it was in Roman times. The opportunity to take a natural hot bath was not lost upon the writer. The floor and

sides and steps are of white marble, and the depth varies to suit the convenience of the swimmer. Some great upheaval has brought down the marble columns which once decorated the sides of the bath, and they lie across it in picturesque disorder, some almost intact, others broken into many fragments. One of the columns has so fallen across the bath that its base is exposed, while its slanting top shines gleaming white beneath the water at a depth of some ten feet. On this column one can lie with one's head out of water, and it is not possible to imagine a bath enjoyable under more ideal conditions. The water flows out of the basin in many little rivulets, and a few hundred yards from its source begins to develop its petrifying nature. As it cools its bed becomes white with a hard, chalky substance, and no living thing or plant can resist its stony grip. The grasses and leaves which fall into its deadly waters and lie grave upon its surface, and the flowers which dip their heads into the streams turn into petrified images of themselves, counterfeiting nature in stone, even to their slender petals. The fall from the top of the cliff into the valley is, in some cases, abrupt and steep, and in others gradual. In the latter a succession of basins has been formed, descending the slopes in ever-diminishing size, as the waters in their descent have overflowed from one rim to another. Stalactites depend from the top of the cliff, and formations like gigantic beehives glisten in the sun. Seen from a distance the very waters appear to have been caught and turned to rock as they flowed, and noiseless waterfalls of stone take the place of the liquid element."

GIRLS OF TO-DAY ARE WEAKLINGS!

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Never before was physical health and vigor so highly esteemed and so eagerly sought for as to-day. No man dares marry in a sickly wife, and the woman who wishes to enjoy the pleasure of life should spare no effort to maintain perfect health. Is your daughter growing up strong and healthy? Has she strength to resist in greedily all the pleasures that youth so zealously seeks—or is she compelled to use the street car instead of enjoying the delightful exercise of walking—does she after the ball arise refreshed and vigorous, or is she exhausted, indifferent and perhaps irritable?

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Green Room

In "The Yankee Consul," the merry musical play which comes to the Victoria theatre this evening, John P. Slocum offers his very best, and the success the piece has enjoyed during extended engagements in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago, presages a repetition in this city. There are songs since just a few hours make. "In Old New York," "When the Hammers Go Rap, Rap, Rap," "My San Domingo Maid," "Hole," "Cupid Has Found My Heart," "All of these and more will be heard in "The Yankee Consul."

Two acts are necessary to tell the story of the opera. The scenes are laid in Puerto Plata, San Domingo, a country giving many opportunities for the intersection of local color and atmosphere, and these opportunities have been taken advantage of.

The cast is an exceptionally well balanced one, and is again headed by Harry Short, who played the role of Abimil Boose last season with great success. Others who will contribute to the fun making are: Isabel Carroll, Margaret Plavin, William V. Strunz, Wallace Jenkins, Olga Kalneing, Elaine Von Thiele, James Brennan, Charles Jackson, L. R. Leferson and a chorus of forty hand-some girls.

THE NEW GRAND.

For this week Manager Jamieson has secured as the leading feature of a strong bill the Lefell Trio of acrobats in a turn billed at "this pretty little theatre which at the same time, affords a chance to show their skill in some graceful gymnastic stunts on the double horizontal bars. They use a rebounding, saddle-in-feats in the way of tumbling and bar work. At the same time the comedy element is never forgotten, and the antics of the clever trio are laughable in the extreme. The three Millards are comedy musicians and have a little sketcher entitled "Willie Green's Visit," in which they play several good selections on variety in the days of old Rome. It is one of these plays which held interest from the rise of the curtain until the end of the last act, and while not descending to melodrama, it is replete with situations of great potentiality in which the dramatic element is well blended with realism. Special scenery, costumes and an augmented cast are necessary to ensure a faithful representation, and the management of the Fort street play house has left no stone unturned to produce the piece true to its original.

Miss Knatvold will be seen in the role of Sabiola, a part that will give her great scope to use her undoubted dramatic genius and emotional powers to good effect. The characters have been placed with great care. "Through the Gates of Heaven" will run all week with a special Christmas matinee. In addition to the usual Wednesday and Saturday matinees.

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Reports seem to indicate that it is the latest and best of rural dramas. Critics everywhere have sung its praises as the purest, sweetest, and most wholesome of rural dramas. And then, too, there is more comedy in it than other plays of its class. In fact, it is built largely on comedy lines. So much so that one writer described it as "one great big laugh from beginning to end." The story is the story of a blind country girl.

The Schumann-Heink Recital.

Madame Schumann-Heink, the greatest of all contraltos, is announced for a recital in the Victoria theatre on the evening of January 9th.

Although Schumann-Heink's contralto voice is majestic and her impersonations of the women of Wagner's operas of most powerful effect, she possesses to a marvellous degree also the capacity, and subtle humor and delicate execution for the Lieder and Italian arias.

While still a young woman, just in the fullness of her operative powers, she has been on the stage for nearly 20 years. Her strong musical gifts manifested themselves at an early age, and she was only 13 when she began her musical studies.

Four years later, when she heard that a contralto was wanted at the Court theatre in Dresden, Frau Heink presented herself along with other experienced singers as a candidate for the place. After singing about "The Merry Prophet" and the Brindisi from "Eurezia Borgia," she was immediately engaged, and made her debut in October, 1878, as "Frau Heink" went to Hamburg, where she remained for eight years at the Stadt theatre. She also made several successful appearances at Berlin, but it was when Frau Cosima Wagner engaged her for the Bayreuth season of 1894 that Frau Heink's reputation first extended beyond the boundaries of her own country.

"The Kerry Gow."

Allen Doone, the sweet singing Irish comedian who has been meeting with wonderful success in all the cities of the East, is to appear here in Joseph Murphy's famous play, "The Kerry Gow," on Thursday night.

Joseph Murphy played a part in the original copyright of "The Kerry Gow," and fourteen years later had the play re-copyrighted for himself. This is the only piece now on the stage which has been played for thirty successive years, and the Murphy is probably the only actor who has played in a single production so often.

Mr. Doone, as an actor of Irish character, is a model of excellence, who possesses a sweet tenor voice, a fine appearance, and impersonated the true Irishman, using the Celtic wit to perfection.

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lanolin, 2 ounces; coconut oil, 2 ounces;

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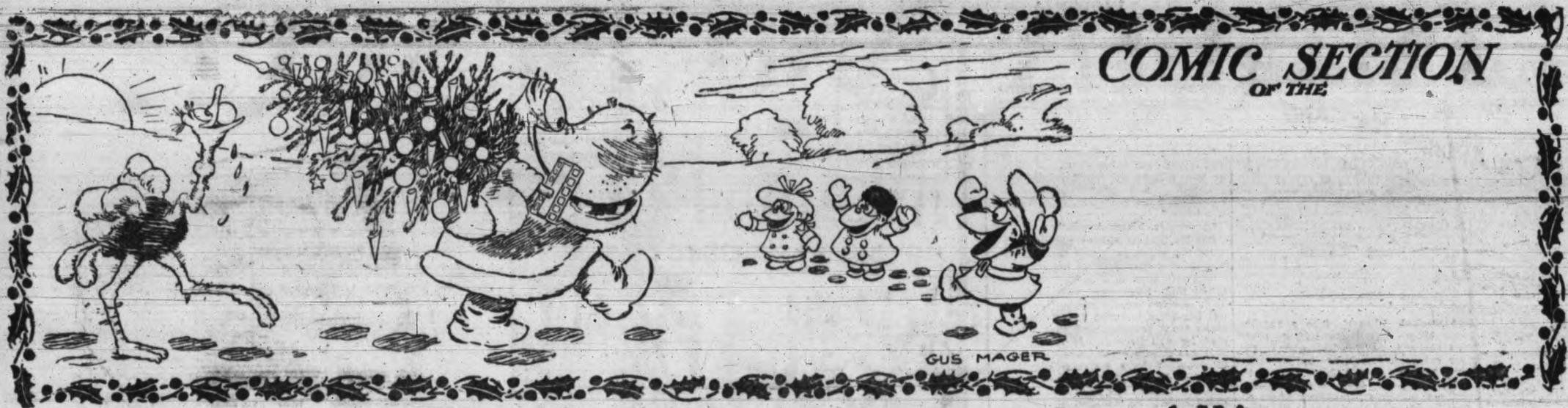
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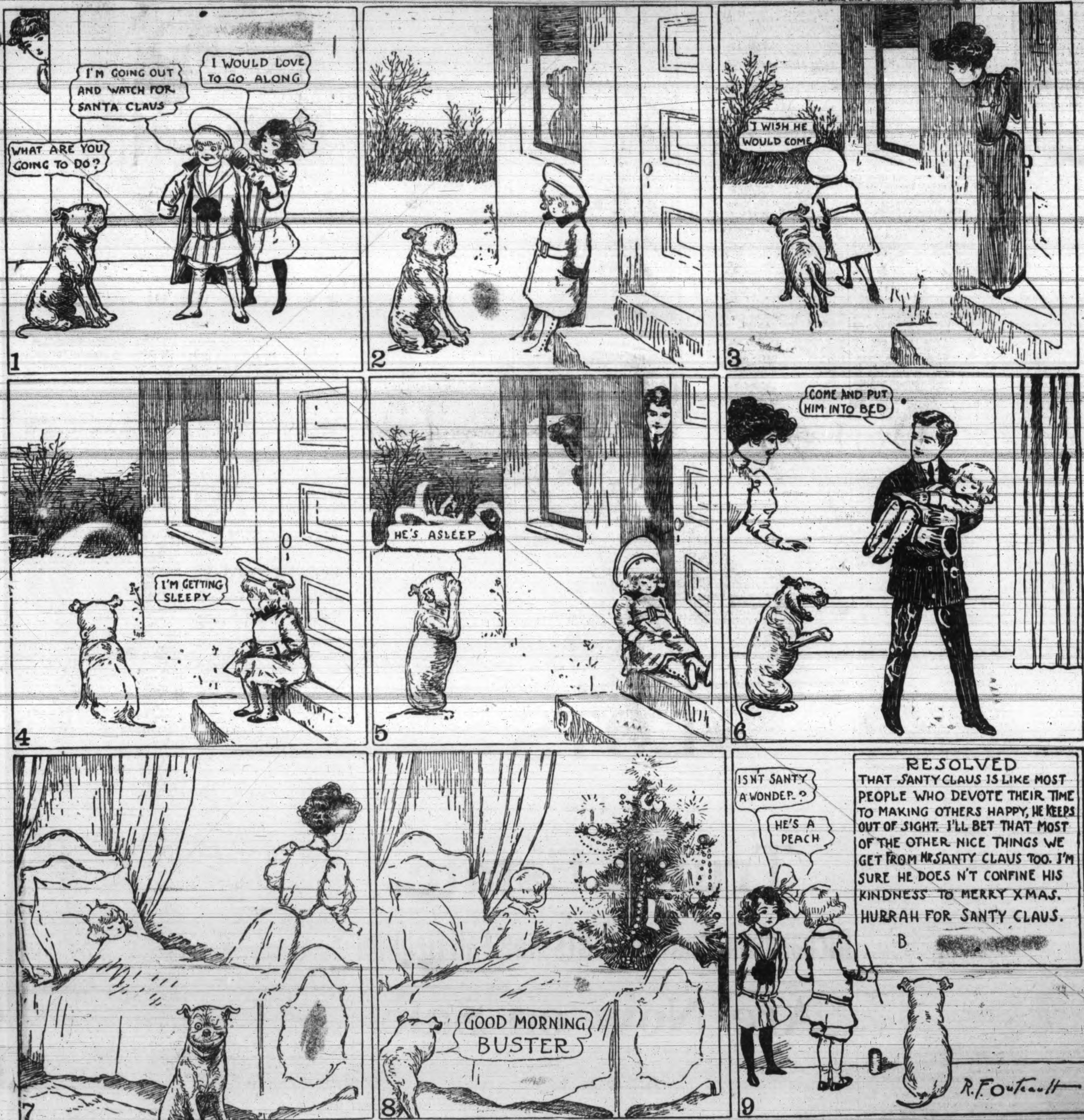
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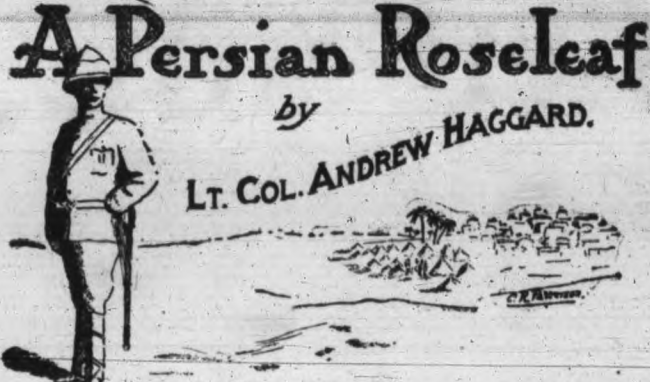


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And He Missed Santa Claus After All!





A Persian Roseleaf
by
LT. COL. ANDREW HAGGARD.

CHAPTER XIV.
Men of Honor.

In his dispatches, by heliograph, describing all these stirring events: the fight, the bravery of Lord Rothiemay, Ibrahim Effendi Fehmy and Corporal Mohamed Daoud, and the abduction of the former's senseless body, De Clintone said nothing about himself or his own narrow escape. He was compelled, however, to explain that the reason he had not himself pursued beyond Kook, was that his camel had injured him momentarily by falling on his wounded leg. Nor, when his written reports followed, did this brave officer mention the fact that in that terrible climate he had been so nearly killed. He only had an Egyptian medical officer with his troops, whose reports he controlled; and he took good care that this native doctor should say nothing about his commanding officer's condition.

He was in hopes that so soon as the authorities in England should learn the continued state of unrest existing in the Sudan, they would order an advance on Dongola, and he wished to remain at his frontier post to be ready to join that advance when it should take place. De Clintone felt the loss of Lord Rothiemay all the more deeply, and bitterly, from the fact that he himself had caused his friend's misfortune. He was trying to please Lady Evelyn in making a man of her kind. And now the poor fellow, if not dead already, had, he feared, gone to certain death, to be probably accompanied by horrible tortures, such as the cutting off of hands and feet, the command of Abdullah, the Khalifa, Colonel De Clintone had, however, several friends among the officers of the Durham-Light Infantry, the British regiment quartered, like himself, in the desert.

The regiment had promptly moved out after him, in reserve, when he advanced before dawn on the Dervishes at Amara; but, as the Dervishes retreated, he had to commence the march of De Clintone's attack, the Durhams had scarcely come under fire at all, merely a few of the enemy's bullets falling among their ranks. They had, however, followed as far as Abri, and halted there, with the Egyptian infantry, until De Clintone's return. The afternoon in a suddenly lamentable condition, the coat all hanging in bloody rags, his side bleeding and his leg nearly broken and bleeding also, it must be confessed that the officer commanding the 1st Battalion of the Egyptian army presented but a sorry spectacle to his friends.

Reports of his actual condition, and of what he had done, reached Cairo therefrom from other sources, while he himself was writing only about the bravery and excellent management of Rothiemay in saving his men and his camels, while sacrificing himself at the last.

No wonder, therefore, that not only in Cairo, but in London, De Clintone, like the unfortunate Viscount Rothiemay, was spoken about as a hero. The government did not, however, propose to have any expedition to Dongola. On the contrary, they now considered that a further retirement would be more appropriate. To his dismay, De Clintone was ordered to fall back on Wady Halfa, as all the country south of that place, and the desert railway, was to be abandoned. The British regiment retired first, and then, after, with many a groan, destroying fort Mograkken in so far as was possible, the officer commanding the Egyptian troops on the frontier retired also. On his way down, it fell to his lot to be compelled to burn a quantity of the beautiful, white boats which had been left at various points by Lord Wolsley when retiring in the preceding year. As the Nile had not yet risen, these splendid craft could not be taken down over the Dal Cataract, nor could two stern-wheel gunboats, the Lotus and another, which had to be run upon the rocks and destroyed. After that was destruction, the troops, by degrees, returned by the eighty-seven miles of railway from Akasheh to Wady Halfa, which place, situated on the second Nile Cataract, was fortified.

All Nubia was gone—gone too, apparently for ever, was Reginald Isla, Viscount Rothiemay. Owing to the reports which had reached Cairo as to his condition, letters now arrived from Egyptian headquarters inquiring from De Clintone if he would not like to return to Cairo to recruit. Knowing that there was no chance of any more active soldiering to be done for some time, Johan De Clintone, at the command of his corps to another officer, he embarked upon a stern-wheel steamboat and sailed off down the river, while the band of his regiment played him off to the strains of "Auld Lang Syne." For Lady Evelyn had been guilty of a calamity when she said that his band of Egyptian musicians could only play one tune. It could play a great many more European airs, including such charming symphonies as "Take this letter to my mother" and "Wait till the clouds roll by."

Johan, however, felt as if the clouds would never move off by him, as he steamed down towards Assouan. There he knew that he should meet Sir Herbert Merklend, and to his great disgust, that gallant officer had been detained at that large village chiefly inhibited by dirty Bisharen Arabs. It was a horrible unhealthy place, too, the British troops were dying like flies of that deadly disease, enteric fever. How, thought De Clintone, would he and Sir Herbert be able to talk over together the probable fate of Rothiemay? Would it be too much for both of them? In the terrible heat from the glare of the desert banks, he

ous again, as he was yesterday, so you might humor him, Colonel.

"Very well," replied De Clintone. "Please tell Sir Herbert just what I say, which is that there is no earthly cause for my giving him the promise in question, but he can rely upon me to do by Lady Evelyn absolutely as I would by my own sister."

"Thank you, Colonel; now keep quiet and try and not think about sad things, or you will be getting feverish again yourself. Are your bandages all right? Let me see. Yes, that will do. Good-bye."

Sir Herbert Merklend quieted down after the nurse gave him the message, but after a time said to her—

"Nurse, that is a noble fellow—a brave and honorable gentleman. If Lady Evelyn should arrive too late to tell her from me that I asked him to make me a promise, and that I know that she should reply upon Colonel De Clintone. I have watched him from boyhood. He is a man of honor, a man of honor! He will not find many like Johnny!" he repeated for the third time. An then poor Sir Herbert commenced to ramble incoherently, about De Clintone and the lost Rothiemay.

"Oh dear!" moaned the nurse to herself. "What fools those doctors are! They should never have allowed those two to get talking to each other. But now I fear the mischief is done."

Sister Agnes was right—the mischief was done.

Sir Herbert relapsed into delirium, while De Clintone also passed a restless night with a return of fever.

When, the next day, the principal medical officer went his rounds at 10 o'clock, he paused a long time at De Clintone's bedside. Upon leaving it, he said to the surgeon who was looking after the Bey—

"If he does not get better by to-night, Murphy, you will have to move him into the ward with Sir Herbert. Poor fellow! It looks very much as if he too is in for a dose of enteric after all. Oh, Murphy! This Egypt is a damnable country! Eleven deaths this week! That 'Dead March' is a curse for ever playing now, as one goes down after another."

"A damnable country indeed, sir," replied Murphy to the P. M. O. That night Johan De Clintone was removed into the enteric ward, into the little apartment at the end where Sir Herbert was already lying.

When, at length, Lady Evelyn arrived, having sailed up the river in dahabeh from Assiout, where the train stopped, poor Sir Herbert had been dead several days. He, too, had been dragged off to the desert cemetery on a gun-carriage, to the melancholy accompaniment of the "Dead March in Saul!"

The telegraph had many days since flashed the news from Assiout that she was sailing up the river, as fast as its numerous sandbanks would allow her in the low water, and a double fly Indian tent had been pitched for her underneath the palm trees. With the exception of the two Red Cross nurses, there were no white women at Assouan, and Sister Agnes went therefore to the dahabeh. There she found Lady Evelyn alone with her faithful Nubian servant and dragoman, Ahmed, her maid having refused to go up the Nile at that terrible season of the year.

When poor Evelyn Merklend, worn out with the prolonged agony of anxiety waiting without news, heard the worst, she broke down completely for a time; not noisily, but as one absolutely crushed. Sir Herbert had been many years her senior, but she had always looked up to him and admired him as a type of what a noble-minded man should be.

Sister Agnes proved to be a sister indeed, and persuaded her to remain upon the dahabeh, where she herself came to pass the night, to endeavor to comfort the distressed woman. And, in the still watches of the night, the kind-hearted nurse repeated Sir Herbert's last coherent messages to his widow.

(To be continued.)

**"I said the student;
'It's best to be prudent.'
'I said Bouril'**

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E. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., 22nd November, 1906.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate of the Certificate of Title to Sub-Division Lot B, of Sub-Section XXIX, Beckley Farm, Victoria City.

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At 8 o'clock, a quantity of

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To-day you can buy a Turkey at our store, also nice
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The superior richness and
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Novelties exactly suited to the
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57 GOVERNMENT STREET.

RUSSIAN COUNT

SLAIN BY TERRORIST

Assassin Fired Six Bullets Into Body of
Ex-Governor General—Arrested
By Police.

Tver, Russia, Dec. 23.—Count Alexis
Ignatieff, a member of the Council of
the Empire and ex-Governor-General of
Kiev, Volhynia and Podolia, was shot
and killed by an unknown man here to-
night in the refreshment room of the
hall occupied by the Nobles' Assembly.
The assassin fired six bullets from a
revolver into his victim's body and
then tried to commit suicide, but was
seized before he could do so, and is now
in the custody of the police.
At the moment of the assassination
Count Ignatieff was sitting with other
members of the Zemstvo in the refresh-
ment room. The Zemstvo meets in the
Nobles' Assembly hall. Suddenly a young
man, who had been sitting apart, rose
and, approaching the count, emptied
the contents of a revolver at him. All
the shots took effect, one piercing his
heart, and the count died almost in-
stantly.

The murderer, followed by some of
the members of the Zemstvo, fled to an
adjoining room, where he turned his re-
volver; two chambers of which he had
reloaded, upon his breast. One shot
missed his body entirely, and the other
pierced his shoulder. He was then
seized. At the moment when his pur-
suers laid hold of him he shouted: "I
did what I came here to do!" A card
of admission to the Zemstvo bearing
the name of Kulkoff, was found in his
pocket. His appearance is that of a
workman.

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We beg to call your attention to this
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cake in sufficient quantity so that no
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This Creamery Chop Feed has been on
the market for three years and our
sales increasing, establishing the fact
that if the quality was not in the feed
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as you cannot expect something for
nothing, and by using cheap inferior
foods you are losing money. We want
you to make money, as your gain is our
increased sales.

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Sylvester Feed Co.

57-59 YATES STREET.

lets have been executed during the last
few months, was worked out at a
special conference, of which Count
Ignatieff was a member, and to him the
revolutionists attributed the author-
ship of this measure. Since M. Stolypin
has been premier, the count has been
several times reported as intriguing
with other members of the so-called
Camarilla to oust M. Stolypin and to
induce the Emperor to dispense entire-
ly with the lower house.

Police Captain Killed.

Kotaka, Russia, Dec. 22.—While a
squad of police, headed by Police Capt.
Preobrazhsky, were last night enter-
ing a lodging house suspected of
harboring revolutionists, several men
armed fire with revolvers on the police,
killing the captain and mortally wound-
ing a policeman. The revolutionists es-
caped.

CRISIS IN ABYSSINIA.

Menelik Seriously Ill—Britain and Italy
Will Recall Representatives.

Rome, Dec. 22.—Authoritative reports
received here declare that Menelik,
King of Abyssinia, has suffered a fresh
attack of syncope.

Increased apprehension is felt because
recently he seems to have changed his
mind about the appointment of a suc-
cessor. It is no longer certain that
Jisu, described as a son of Menelik's
daughter and her husband, Ras
Michael, will be chosen. If this is so,
the struggle for the throne after the
death of Menelik will be fierce.

The difficulties are augmented by
personal differences between the depu-
ties in Abyssinia of the powers more
deeply interested in that country, Italy,
Great Britain and France, dating from
the time when the interests of their re-
spective governments conflicted
strongly. These governments are now,
however, acting in perfect accord, Italy
and Great Britain have decided to re-
call their representatives, and it is be-
lieved that France will follow suit.

American Representative.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Frank R.
Mowrer, the first consular representa-
tive of the United States in Abyssinia,
has arrived at Addis-Abeba, the Aby-
ssinian capital, and opened an office
there, according to a dispatch to the
state department to-day. Most of the
trip from Djibouti to Addis-Abeba
was made by Mr. Mowrer by caravan,
and it was a month after his depart-
ure from the coast before he was able
to establish himself in the Abyssinian
capital.

BACK FROM NORTH.

E. G. Russell Says Work Is Going Steadily
On—Survey Parties' Progress.

E. G. Russell, of the Grand Trunk Pa-
cific, arrived in the city on Saturday
evening. A few days ago he returned
from Prince Rupert, and after spending
two or three days in Vancouver came on
to Victoria. He reports that steady pro-
gress is being made at the northern ter-
minal. Buildings are being erected from
time to time to accommodate the increas-
ed number of men being employed. The
survey party working between Prince
Rupert and Aberdeen is being increased
materially by additions from other parts.

On the section from Aberdeen up the
Skeena many difficulties have been en-
countered on account of ice and rough
weather, which has militated against the
carrying on of the work by the river.

The work of preparing the townsite at
Prince Rupert is going on very satisfac-
torily, but in spite of this Mr. Russell
thinks it may be September before the
lots are put on sale in this northern city.
The company is preparing for what will
be a substantial city, and in consequence
of this the work to be accomplished will
not be of a temporary character.
The climatic conditions at Prince Rup-
ert were described as very good, being
in striking contrast to the mouth of the
Skeena and other Northern points in
proximity to the terminal.



If You Have a Problem That Is Worrying You

In the matter of gift buying, come to our store and inspect our un-
limited variety of beautiful things for appropriate Christmas presents, at
extra good values. Your selection will be made easy, plenty of room to move
about and plenty of intelligent sales people to wait on you. For the con-
venience of shoppers who desire to purchase dainty remembrances at a
nominal expense we have arranged special counters at prices mentioned
below. These tables contain a multitude of articles for Christmas gifts.

Look Over Our Ten Cent Counter.

You will find some surprisingly good values. Our 15c. and 25c. counters
cannot be excelled for choice. Our 50c. counters are unsurpassed for quality.
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You Will Also Find Other Superb Values in

Lovely 40-piece English China Tea Sets, latest designs, in many beautiful
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Dinner Sets in pretty shapes and decorations, from \$9.00 up.

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after Thursday, the 29th inst., between
the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., to the
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to be entitled to rank on the above
estate. Kindly remember that inter-
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B. S. HEISTERMAN,
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Victoria, B. C., Dec. 18th, 1906.

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road, from yard to Market street.
Beyond these limits to city limits, 25c.
per ton extra.

On Saturday afternoon the funeral
of Mrs. Mary Jane McKenzie took
place from the parlors of the B. C.
Funeral and Furnishing Company at
230. Services were conducted by Rev.
F. T. Tapscott. There was a large at-
tendance of friends. The following
acted as pallbearers: Capt. J. G.
Searle, Capt. H. Parson, G. Gorman,
G. W. Clark, J. McPherson and W.
J. Laird.

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